

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 BELGRA 02581 300656Z

12

ACTION EUR-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 AF-10 SAM-01 SAJ-01 CIAE-00 DODE-00

PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01

PRS-01 SP-03 SS-20 USIA-15 IO-14 DRC-01 NIC-01 /128 W

----- 081900

R 291525Z MAY 74

FM AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9482

INFO AMEMBASSY LISBON

US MISSION NATO 1195

AMCONSUL ZAGREB

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BELGRADE 2581

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR YO PO

SUBJ: YUGOSLAVIA TO RECOGNIZE NEW PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT?

REF: PARIS 12493

1. THERE ARE SEVERAL INDICATIONS HERE THAT THE YUGOSLAVS ARE CONSIDERING ESTABLISHING OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN LISBON. ONE OF THE MOST VOCAL CRITICS OF CAETANO REGIME, THE GOY HAS TAKEN A DEEP INTEREST IN DEVELOPMENTS IN PORTUGAL SINCE THE COUP, WITH ALMOST DAILY COVERAGE OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT'S ACTIONS IN THE BELGRADE PRESS. THE TONE OF SUCH ARTICLES HAS FROM THE BEGINNING BEEN UNIFORMLY POSITIVE, EMPHASIZING SOCIALIST AND COMMUNIST PARTICIPATION IN PORTUGUESE POLITICAL LIFE AND PROSPECTS FOR DECOLONIZATION IN AFRICA.

2. GOY AT PRESENT DOES NOT HAVE DIRECT CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION WITH THE GOP, BUT DOES HAVE COMMERCIAL AND PRESS REPS IN LISBON WHO ACCORDING TO OUR YUGOSLAV CONTACTS HAVE BEEN IN POSITION TO SOUND OUT PORTUGUESE ON TOPICS OF MUTUAL INTEREST. DIRECT CONTACTS, HOWEVER, ARE APPARENTLY ABOUT TO TAKE PLACE: FRENCH AMB HERE TELLS US ASST FONSEC RAIF DIZDAREVIC (RESPONSIBLE
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 BELGRA 02581 300656Z

FOR GOY RELATIONS WITH EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA) WILL BE SPENDING

UPCOMING WEEKEND IN LISBON. ALSO, DELEGATION OF SOCIALIST ACTION OF PORTUGAL, HEADED BY MEMBER PARTY DIRECTORATE FRANCISCO RAMEZ DE COSTA, IS NOW IN BELGRADE ATTENDING 10TH LCY CONGRESS. IN ADDRESS TO OPENING SESSION OF CONGRESS MAY 27, FONSEC MILOS MINIC SAID GOY "WILL FULLY SUPPORT" EFFORTS LEADING TO ACHIEVEMENT OF INDEPENDENCE OF PORTUGUESE COLONIES. THE PRESENT PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT, SAID MINIC, "HAS CREATED CONDITION NEEDED TO SECURE INDEPENDENCE OF THESE COUNTRIES, AND AT SAME TIME TO STRENGTHEN ACHIEVEMENTS WON BY THE PORTUGUESE PEOPLE AFTER 50 YEARS OF FASCIST AND COLONIALISTS DICTATORSHIP." HE CONCLUDED BY SAYING GOY WILL "UNDERTAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO DEVELOP FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE COOPERATION WITH PORTUGAL." EARLIER, MINIC HAD SENT CONGRATULATORY TELEGRAM TO NEW FONMIN SOARES. LATTER CABLED BACK HIS THANKS WITH "HOPE THAT OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL SOON ENJOY THE BONDS OF DIPLOMATIC AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS."

3. IN LIGHT OF LONGSTANDING YUGOSLAV COMMITMENT TO COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE OF PORTUGUESE COLONIES, GOY MAY WELL HOLD OFF FORMAL RECOGNITION UNTIL DECOLONIZATION PROCESS REACHES STAGE ACCEPTABLE TO AFRICAN LIBERATION LEADERS AND NONALIGNED FRIENDS. TOON

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS ESTABLISHMENT, NONALIGNED NATIONS, FOREIGN POLICY POSITION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 29 MAY 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974BELGRA02581
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740135-0939
From: BELGRADE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740512/aaaaakbr.tel
Line Count: 82
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: PARIS 12493
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 23 APR 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <23 APR 2002 by kelleyw0>; APPROVED <26 MAR 2003 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: YUGOSLAVIA TO RECOGNIZE NEW PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT?
TAGS: PFOR, YO, PO
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005